

Books For Kids About Divorce

Informational book for older kids (gr 3-8)

Holyoke, Nancy. *A Smart Girls Guide to Divorce*. American Girl, 2009

Helpful advice for girls on a range of topics relating to divorce, with an emphasis on a child's right to be happy and healthy despite what's happening in the adult world.

MacGregor, Cynthia. *Jigsaw Puzzle Family: the Stepkids' Guide to Fitting It Together Impact*, 2005. Offers guidelines and practical advice for kids dealing with blended families, emphasizing the need to be open minded and flexible.

Ricci, Isolina. *Mom's House Dad's House for Kids*. Touchstone, 2010

A detailed guidebook for kids dealing with divorce and the resulting family changes; encourages kids to reach acceptance and make positive goals for the future.

Stern, Evan & Zoe. *Divorce Is Not the End of the World*. Tricycle Pr, 2008

An honest and reassuring guide for kids, written by a 13 and 15 year old (with help from Mom), and based on their own experiences.

Winchester, Kent. *What In the World Do You Do When Your Parents Divorce?*

Free Spirit Pr, 2001. Question and answer format answers many common questions kids have when their parents divorce.

Stories for younger children (Pre-gr 2)

Bunting, Eve. *The Days of Summer*. Harcourt, 2001

Two sisters are upset by the news of their grandparents' divorce, try to convince them to remain together, and eventually adjust to the change.

Clarke, Jane. *The Best of Both Nests*. Albert Whitman, 2007

Stanley Stork's parents are separating and he's worried. A school friend in the same situation helps him through the transition.

Coffelt, Nancy. *Fred Stays with Me!* Little Brown, 2011

A child describes how she sometimes lives with her father and sometimes her mother, but her dog Fred stays with her in both places.

Lansky, Vicki. *It's Not Your Fault Koko Bear*. Book Peddlars, 1997

A bear cub goes through a range of emotions when his parents divorce. Story text is accompanied by a parent guide with suggestions for dealing with different issues.

Levins, Sandra. *Do You Sing Twinkle?* Barron's, 1999

As a young boy struggles with his parents' divorce, both parents come up with ways to help him through the transition.

Masurel, Claire. *Two Homes*. Candlewick, 2003

Alex describes the two houses he lives in, one with Mommy and one with Daddy, and emphasizes that he feels loved in both.

Moore-Mallinos, Jennifer. *When My Parents Forgot How To Be Friends*. Barron's 2005

A child works through her feelings about her parents' divorce.

Ransom, Jeanie Franz. *I Don't Want To Talk About It*. Magination, 2000

A child's parents help her cope with the many different emotions she experiences when they tell her they are going to divorce.

Santucci, Barbara. *Loon Summer*. Eerdmans, 2010

After her parents get divorced, Rainie and her father spend their first summer on the lake without Rainie's mother.

Schmitz, Tamara. *Standing On My Own Two Feet*. Price Stern Sloan, 2008

Addison's parents are divorced and he lives in two places, but understands that his parents' problems are not his fault.

Informational books for younger children (Pre-gr 2)

Brown, Marc. *Dinosaurs Divorce: a guide for changing families*. Little Brown, 1988

A straightforward and ultimately reassuring look at divorce that answers many common questions.

Rogers, Fred. *Let's Talk About It: Divorce*. Puffin, 1998

A comforting but honest book about divorce that emphasizes children are not at fault, and gives them concrete ways to deal with stress.

Rogers, Fred. *Let's Talk About It: Stepfamilies*. Puffin, 2001

Helps kids deal with the challenges of blending families.

Thomas, Pat. *My Family's Changing*. Barron's, 1999

Plainspoken text addresses how divorce affects children and families.

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